

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-37 have been replaced with new claims 38-112. Examination on the merits is requested.

If the Examiner's next anticipated action is anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Sept. 12, 2006

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